FAST AND FALLEN!

MIRANDA - Two of your young lady (?) aquaintances smoke, do they? Depend upon it, they have been keeping company with a couple of fast young men, and are themselves going too fast either for their healths or reputations. Having fallen so far, remonstrance would be useless. Of course you have cut their aquaintance? Women who smoke must drink something stronger than tea.

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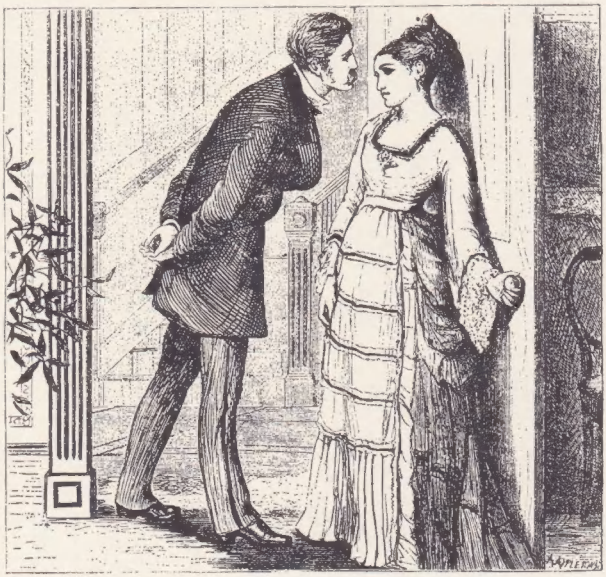
ILLICIT KISSES!



KATE'S friend tells her that the etiquette in courtship is not to allow the young gentleman to kiss you until he has proposed marriage. A very good, because a safe rule; but we are afraid it is not often observed. The first love-kiss generally precedes the declaration. But the best etiquette would be to reserve all the kissing for the honeymoon. At all events, Kate's friend is quite right - no man is a lover until he has 'popped the question'.

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MALLEABLE MAIDENS!

LAVINIA wants to be married - but cannot obtain even a sweetheart. She is afraid that her commanding appearance intimidates the young gentlemen of her aquaintance. Nothing of the kind. It is her anxiety, her feverish stepping out of her maidenly reserve, which has shocked their preconcieved notions of feminine propriety - and so frightened them into dumb significance. Lavinia must be more retiring, think less of herself, and learn to spell better.

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PERT YOUNG MISSES!

ADA and EVELINE - It is indelicate - markedly indelicate - for young girls to say they have fallen in love with gentlemen with whom they have never exchanged a single word of conversation. What can they know of the character or disposition of such men? We feel surprised at girls of education making such an avowal. Their moral sensibilities must be much blunted.

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SALACIOUS SALUTATIONS!

HANNAH asks if there is any impropriety in kissing her sweetheart on bidding him good-bye? Not exactly any impropriety, but all such salutes had better be avoided. Men are apt to jump at the most startling conclusions.

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VICAR'S VICISSITUDES!

R.W. - The present of a pair of embroidered braces to the young clergyman, previous to his leaving the curacy, was not inappropriate; but if your description of him be a true one, we think he would have preferred that you should have expended the same amount of labour in some article to have been sold for the benefit of the poor. Presents to clergymen are at best bur ambiguous acknowledgements of their sacred services.

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VULPINE VOLUBILITY!

CLARA must beware of the wolves in sheeps clothing. Aquaintances with the other sex should be formed with excessive caution.

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WANTON YOUNG WENCHES!

EMILIE B. - Ben Jonson sang 'Drink to me only with thine eyes', and we fancy you have been drinking rather too much with yours. We cannot lend any countenance to such glaring impropriety as trying 'to catch the gentleman's attention'! It is his duty to catch yours; so preserve your dignity and the decorum due to your sex, position, and the usages of society.

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